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TO : The Director of Central Intelligence
FROM : Security Officer
SUBJECT: Gustav HILGER and wife, Maria HILGER

DATE: 3 May 1951

1. It has been proposed by the Assistant Director for Policy Coordination that this subject and his wife be granted the status of permanent residents of the United States (see Tab A). The Alien Affairs Officer and I agree that this is a proper case for the use of Section 8 of the CIA Act of 1949.

2. The General Counsel agrees with the proposal that their status be adjusted to that of permanent residents (see Tab B).

3. There has been prepared for your signature a letter to the Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization (see Tab C).

4. In accordance with Paragraph 7 of Part B of CIA Regulation No. 50-10, it is suggested that the Office of Policy Coordination be designated as the custodial office for this subject.

SHEPHERD EDWARDS
Colonel, GSC
Security Officer

CONCURRENCE:

Deputy Director/Plans

Attachments: 3

- A. Memo, ADPC, 19 Mar 51
- B. Memo, GC, 26 Apr 51
- C. Ltr, Comm of IAN

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Mr. Ayle B. Mackey
Commissioner of Immigration and
Naturalization
Washington 25, D.C.

SUBJECT: Gustav HILGER and wife,
Maria HILGER
JMS File A-698759

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the authority granted in Section 8 of the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949, I approve and recommend for your approval the entrance of this subject and his wife into the United States for permanent residence, because his entry is essential to the furtherance of the National Intelligence mission. In accordance with previous correspondence in Section 8 cases, it is understood you will present this matter to The Attorney General for his approval.

The files of this Agency reflect that Gustav Hilger was born at Moscow, Russia, of German parents, on 10 September 1886. During his life, he has spent some 16 years in Russia, 17 as a child and schoolboy, 4 as an engineer, 4 as a civilian interne, 3 as a relief and repatriation official, and 18 as a member of the German Embassy staff in Moscow. He was a counsellor for the German Embassy in Moscow from 1939 until the time of the German invasion of Russia in June 1941. He has been a close and shrewd observer of fundamental changes which took place in Russian political and economic life during the transition period between the two World Wars.

Gustav Hilger and his wife are in the United States in the status of temporary visitors. His services to this Agency have been of considerable value. As a consultant, he has, and is contributing most significantly to the psychological and political warfare program. He has shown evidence of making a successful adjustment to an American life; he has numerous friends in Washington with whom he makes frequent social contact, although in general he is leading a quiet existence. There appears to be no reason to believe that his permanent residence in the United States would endanger National security.

There is attached Form I-125 in duplicate, which is required in Section 8 cases.

Sincerely yours,

Walter H. Smith
Director

Attachment:

Form I-125 (dup)

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